

West Virginia

Lead Based Paint Abatement

W. Va. Code §§ 16-35-1 to 16-35-13 (1998).

Establishes the West Virginia "Lead Abatement Act" which requires the director of the West Virginia division of health to propose rules to implement a training, accreditation and certification program for lead abatement contractors, supervisors or workers, lead inspectors, lead risk assessors and lead abatement project designers. Requires a license to work in any of the above listed disciplines. The act also provides for suspension or revocation of licenses. Requires contractors to ensure that his or her employees are properly licensed, that the project is properly supervised, and that proper records are kept. The act exempts homeowners, renovation and remodeling projects and activities covered by OSHA from notification and licensure requirements. The director may also establish requirements for laboratories and lead abatement contractors for mandatory reporting of any person medically confirmed elevated blood level. The act also requires notification to the division of health by the person responsible for the building where a lead abatement project is to occur.